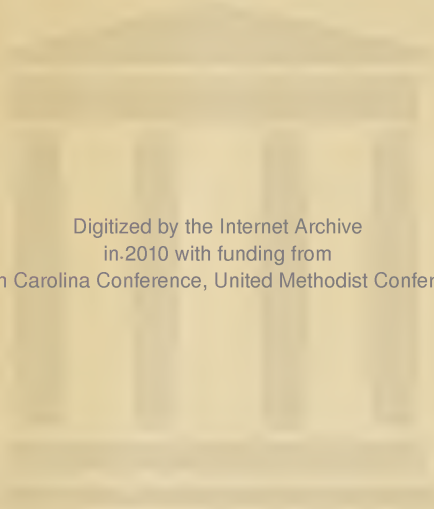


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The bearer, Rev. W. Q. A. Graham, D. D., is President of our school at Marshallberg, North Carolina and is doing a most laudable and worthy work. We know him, and know of the work under his care.

We believe him worthy of the consideration and help, in this special work, which he asks, and trust that all to whom he may apply will give him a patient hearing and liberal practical aid.

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CONFERENCE ROLL.

Bailey, D. D.....	Elder.....	1902
Balnes, W. C.....	Deacon.....	1905
Booth, L. N.....	".....	1907
Chappell, M. L.....	Elder.....	1897
Davis, T. S.....	Elder.....	From Blue Ridge
Graham, W. Q. A.....	Elder.....	From Blue Ridge
Graham, W. F.....	Deacon.....	1907
Lewis, J. J.....	Elder.....	1900
Luther, W. H.....	Elder.....	1899
Midgett, E. J.....	Deacon.....	1909
Moore, W. L.....	Elder.....	1909
Plint, W. J.....	Elder.....	1906
Woodell, W. R.....	Deacon.....	1905



ATLANTIC MISSION CONFERENCE
OF THE
Methodist Episcopal Church,
1909.

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President: Bishop David H. Moore, D.D.
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BOARD of SUNDAY SCHOOLS

T. S. Davis, W. J. Plint, M. L. Piland.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. Is this Annual Conference Incorporated According to the Requirements of the Discipline? -- No.
2. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences? -- None.
3. Who have been Re-admitted? -- Evan J. Midgett, in Studies of Second Year—Discontinued in 1905.
4. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? -- W. L. Moore, an Elder from the Methodist Protestant Church.
5. Who have been Received on Trial? -- None.
6. Who have been Continued on Trial? In Studies of Second Year. -- W. C. Baines.
7. Who have been Discontinued? -- J. A. Morris, J. H. Garriss.
8. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership? Elected and Ordained Deacons previously. -- W. F. Graham, L. N. Booth, W. R. Woodell.
9. What Members are in Studies of Third Year? Admitted into Full Membership this year. -- W. F. Graham, L. N. Booth, W. R. Woodell, W. L. Moore.
10. What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year? -- None.
11. What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study? Elected and Ordained Elders previously. -- W. J. Plint.
12. What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons? As Local Preachers. -- J. H. Bundy.
13. What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders? -- None.
14. Was the Character of each Preacher examined? --

Yes—strictly.

15. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences? -- None.

16. Who have Died? -- None.

17. Who have been Located at their own Request? -- None.

18. Who have been Located? -- None.

19. Who have Withdrawn? -- None.

20. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Complaints or Charges? -- J. B. Bridgers.

21. Who have been Expelled? -- None.

22. What other personal Notation should be made? -- J. B. Bridgers withdrawn under Complaint.

23. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers? -- None.

24. Who are the Superannuated Preachers? -- None.

25. Who are the Triers of Appeals? -- W. Q. A. Graham
W. H. Luther, M. L. Chappell, D. D. Bailey, J. J. Lewis

26. What is the Statistical Report for this year? -- See Statistical Tables.

27. What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer? -- \$381.

28. What are the Claims on the Conference Fund? --- \$100. accorded J. H. Garriss, Discontinued.

29. What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied? -- \$72. Treasurer Conference Relief Fund.

30. What is the Amount of the Five Per Cent of Collections for the Conference Claimants' Connectional Fund paid by the Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants? -- Nil.

31. Where are the Preachers Stationed?

APPOINTMENTS.

T. S. DAVIS, Superintendent, Marshallberg, N. C.

CHARGE.	POST OFFICE.	PASTOR.
Avon	Hatteras.	W. F. Graham & E. J. Midgett
Elizabeth City	Elizabeth City.....	L. N. Booth.
Hamlet & Rowlands.....	Ft. Rod.....	W. R. Woodell.
Laurinb'g & Bladen....	Laurinburg.	D. D. Bailey.
Marshallb'g & Hark'rs Isl.	Marshallberg.	Sup'd by W. E. West
Morehead City.....	Morehead City.....	W. J. Plint
Ocracoke	Ocracoke.	Sup'd by W. E. Tomkinson.
Pates	Maxton..	W. L. Moore.
Parmeles & Tarboro.....	Parmeles.....	M. L. Chappell.
Portsmouth & Pinners..	Pinners, Va.....	W. H. Luther.
Whaleyville	Corapeake ..	Sup'd by J. H. Bundy.
Wildwood.	Grantsboro.	J. J. Lewis.
Winfall	Cape Fear ..	W. C. Baines.

W. Q. A. Graham, President, The Graham Collegiate Institute, Marshallberg, Member Marshallberg Quarterly Conference

32. Where shall the Next Conference be held?

Ocracoke, N. C.





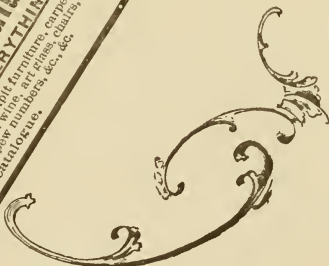
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DAILY PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY

Thursday, October 21, 1909.

The Thirteenth Annual Session of the Atlantic Mission Conference convened in Parmele Methodist Episcopal Church at Parmele, N. C., Thursday, October 21, 1909, at 2 p.m. Bishop David H. Moore, D. D., in the chair.

After singing from the Methodist Hymnal, "And are we yet alive!" Dr. O. S. Baketel read the first chapter of Saint John and led the Conference in prayer.

"A charge to keep I have!" was sung and the Bishop assisted by Dr. Baketel and the District Superintendent administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the Members and congregation present.

The former Secretary called the Roll and the following Members responded;—T. S. Davis, M. L. Chappell, W. H. Luther, J. J. Lewis, D. D. Bailey, W. J. Plint.

Probationers; — J. H. Garriss, W. C. Baines, W. R. Woodell, L. N. Booth, W. F. Graham.

W. F. Graham and W. J. Plint were nominated as candidates for Secretary. W. J. Plint was elected and named W. F. Graham as his Assistant.

D. D. Bailey was elected Statistical Secretary and named L. N. Booth as Assistant.

W. H. Luther was elected Treasurer and named M. L. Chappell as Assistant.

The following Committees were appointed:—

Foreign Missions; W. F. Graham, W. R. Woodell.

Home Missions and Church Extension; D. D. Bailey, J. J. Lewis.

Education; W. J. Plint, W. F. Graham.

Freedman's Aid; W. H. Luther, W. L. Moore.
Sunday Schools; W. Q. A. Graham, D. D. Bailey.
Public Worship; M. L. Chappell, T. S. Davis.
Periodicals; W. H. Luther, J. H. Garriss.
Temperance; L. N. Booth, W. C. Baines.
Conference Stewards and Auditing; W. J. Plint, M. L. Chappell.

On motion of T. S. Davis the Conference hours were fixed at 9.30 a.m. to 12. and afternoon sessions as ordered, and the first three seats were made the Conference Bar.

Dr. O. S. Baketel, representing the Board of Sunday Schools, Dr. Fowles, representing the Board of Foreign Missions and Dr. Tomkinson of the Wilmington Conference, were introduced to the Conference. Brothers Autree and Farrell, of the M. E. Church, South, were introduced.

Question 14 was called; the Superintendent read his report and his character was passed.

W. H. Luther was called, his character passed and report given.

J. J. Lewis called, character passed and report given.

Dr. Graham was called and his character passed.

The following made their reports and on motion of T. S. Davis their characters passed:— L. N. Booth, W. C. Baines, W. J. Plint, W. F. Graham, J. H. Garriss.

Questions 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 were called, the answer to each being 'none.'

Question 7 was called and on motion of District Superintendent Davis, James A. Morris, a Probationer of the First Year was Discontinued.

W. J. Plint was given charge of the accounts of the

Book Concern and J. J. Lewis was appointed Canvasser for the Methodist Review.

W. H. Luther, D. D. Bailey and W. J. Plint were appointed a committee on Conference Relations.

On motion of T. S. Davis Conference adjourned.

Announcements were made and the Benediction pronounced by Dr. Tomkinson.

SECOND DAY

Friday, October 22, 1909.

Conference convened at 9.30 a.m. Bishop Moore led the devotional services reading the fourth chapter of First John and commenting on the same. The Bishop also read from the Discipline, paragraphs 105-117 "The Call to Preach" and "Rules for Conduct" and made appropriate comment as he read.

The journal of Thursday was read, corrected and approved.

Dr. Graham was made chairman of the committee on Periodicals in the place of Brother Luther.

A communication from the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund was read and on motion of W. J. Plint the Conference Stewards were authorized to apportion the \$31. requested among the various charges.

On motion of the Secretary, our draft on the Book Concern for \$72.00 was ordered payable to W. H. Luther, Treasurer of the Conference Relief Fund.

Brothers Woodell and Moore made their reports.

M. L. Chappell rendered his report and Dr. Graham made his report as President of our Conference School.

Question 11-b was called, after favorable report of the

Examiners, on motion of the Superintendent, W. J. Plint was graduated.

Question 8-b was taken up. W. F. Graham and L. N. Booth, having answered the Disciplinary Questions and the Bishop having addressed them, after proper recommendation on motion of T. S. Davis they were Received into Full Connection and advanced to the Studies of the Third Year.

Question 6 was taken up, W. C. Baines was called, his character passed and, on motion of the Superintendent, he was Continued on Trial and advanced to the Studies of the Second Year conditioned on the Divine Library of the Old Testament.

W. R. Woodell was called, his character passed and, on motion of T. S. Davis, he was Continued on Trial in Studies of the Second Year.

Question 7 was recalled and, on motion of T. S. Davis, J. H. Garriss was Discontinued. On motion of W. H. Luther, representing the Committee on Conference Relations, \$100. was granted Brother Garriss out of the Conference Relief Fund.

Announcements were made, the Doxology sung and Benediction pronounced by Dr. Graham.

THIRD DAY

Saturday, October 23, 1909.

Conference was called to order at 9.45 a.m. Bishop Moore in the chair.

After devotional services the Bishop read paragraphs 118-125, "Spiritual Qualifications," from the Discipline making appropriate remarks as he read.

The Missionary Appropriations for 1909-1910 were read and accepted. The journal of Friday was read, corrected and approved, and the Disciplinary Questions were taken up 'Seriatim.'

Questions 1 and 2, 'none.'

Question 3. Evan J. Midgett was Re-admitted in Studies of the Second Year.

Question 4, 'none.'

Question 5. W. L. Moore, a Local Elder, was Received on Trial in Studies of First Year.

Questions 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 'none.'

Question 12-a. Upon recommendation of Parmele Quarterly Conference, Joseph H. Bundy was Elected to Deacon's Orders.

Question 20. J. B. Bridgers was allowed to Withdraw under Complaints.

Question 32. Invitations were received from Ocracoke, Rowlands and Marshallberg. Upon vote, Ocracoke was selected as the seat of our next session.

On motion of T. S. Davis, question 5 was reconsidered and W. L. Moore was Received in Full Connection upon his Credentials from the Methodist Protestant Church and advanced to the Studies of Third Year.

On motion of Dr. Graham the rule requiring a minimum of 70 was suspended in the case of W. R. Woodell, and he was admitted into full connection and advanced to the Studies of the Third year.

On motion of W. J. Plint the Secretary of the Trustees of the Conference Relief Fund was requested to lay before the Conference, the minutes of the last two sessions of that Board.

The following Committees read reports: which were

adopted; viz, Auditing Committee, Conference Stewards, Education, Freedman's Aid and Foreign Missions.

On motion of W. J. Plint, our Commission on Boundaries be revised and instructed to meet with a similar Commission from the Blue Ridge Conference as soon as practical.

On motion of M. L. Chappell, Conference adjourned to meet at 8.30 to-night. Announcements were made, Doxology was sung; the benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

EVENING SESSION.

Conference convened at 8.30 P. M. The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

W. L. Moore, J. J. Lewis and C. S. Davis were elected Trustees of the G. C. I., term to expire in 1912.

The Episcopal Fund apportionment was read and approved.

W. L. Moore and W. R. Woodell, having answered the Disciplinary questions, were received into Full Connection.

The Committee on Temperance made report, which was adopted.

On motion of T. S. Davis, Dr. Graham was authorized to prepare reports on Sunday Schools and Periodicals to be included in our printed minutes.

The Statistician made his report. On motion it was adopted.

The Treasurer reported \$371 as the amount of the collections.

On motion of W. H. Luther, the \$251. in the hands

of Treasurer of the Relief Fund was ordered divided among the full members according to the years of service in full connection.

The Secretary of the Trustees of the Relief Fund read the minutes of their meeting, and the Articles of Incorporation.

On motion of W. J. Plint two members of this Board are elected; terms to expire in 1910, two in 1911, and the fifth in 1912. Dr. Graham asked to be excused as a Trustee and M. L. Chappell was elected.

A resolution of thanks to the citizens of Parmele was adopted by rising vote.

On motion of T. S. Davis the Superintendent and Secretary were authorized to edit and publish the minutes, and on motion, each member and supply was assessed \$2.50 to defray the expenses.

The following were appointed as Committee to confer with the Blue Ridge Conference; T. S. Davis, W. J. Plint, W. H. Luther, M. L. Chappell, D. D. Bailey

On motion of W. H. Luther, after the reading of the minutes, and the appointments by the Bishop, the Conference stand adjourned "sine die".

David H. Moore, President.

W. J. Plint, Secretary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

CERTIFICATE of ORDINATION.

This certifies that on Sunday, October 24, 1909, on an election by the Atlantic Mission Conference, the undersigned duly ordained to the office of Deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church, Joseph H. Bundy.

David H. Moore.

Done at Parmele, N. C.

FREEDMAN'S AID.

We, your Committee on Freedman's Aid, respectfully submit the following report.

As a church, we feel thankful to Almighty God that we are enabled to realize that our labors have not been in vain, nor our monies misspent that have been employed in helping the colored people of the South in obtaining an education: not only to prepare them for the pursuits of life, but also for teachers, and other leaders among their own people.

There are 350,000 of these people who are members of our own church. They have twenty schools out of which have gone forth teachers, ministers, lawyers and doctors who are doing efficient work in training their people for the duties of life. We believe that the time is not far distant when they will reach the point of Christian Education that will elevate them to the trust and respect of all men.

Therefore, let us go to our different fields of labor determined to raise the amount for that cause at least 25 percent above this years collection.

Respectfully,

W. H. Luther.

W. L. Moore,

EDUCATION.

As bread is said to be the "staff of life," so Education is the "mainstay of the mental and spiritual life" of man. The Methodist Episcopal Church, our beloved, has, from its incipency, been illustrious in this branch of work, and our Conference needs a greater activity to continue in pulse with the church as a whole.

We most heartily commend the excellent work being accomplished for Christian Education through our own Board. We especially approve the emphasis laid upon educational excellence and genuine spirituality as the true ideal of manhood and womanhood,

We urge upon our pastors the importance of the collection to be taken for the Board of Education, and trust that all will strive to make it a liberal offering.

In closing we would call special attention to our own Conference school, The Graham Collegiate Institute. Your Committee is thoroughly acquainted with the Institute and find it prosperous. Its courses of study are equal to any school of its grade. It prepares for college, pedagogy and business. Its faculty is of the best.

We gladly re-affirm the statement made by us last year as follows:

We have within our own bounds one of the schools under the auspices of this society, the Graham Collegiate Institute. This school has been at work for twenty years and has been a blessing to many of our young people and a strong factor in the accomplishment of whatever good may have been wrought by us in this field. This school is under splendid management at the present time and is worthy of the confidence and support of our people. We ask our people for enlarged liberality towards this institution and we hereby endorse the appeal which the President is making to the benevolently inclined for financial aid in carrying on the work of the school.

W. J. Plint,
W. F. Graham.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The interest evidenced in Sunday School work by the people called Methodists dates so far back into the early history of the church that doubt exists in many minds as to whom the honor of its origination really belongs. Certainly Susannah Wesley did a noble work in giving Sunday instruction to her boys before Robert Raikes organized the Sunday School into being.

Our Church has always recognized the fact that the Sunday School is the great training department and has ever sought to make it more and more efficient. Hence, the ablest and best men have been called to the work of its development and the preparation of its literature. Today, no better equipment for a modern Sunday School can be found than that published by our own Board of Sunday Schools and all Methodist Sunday Schools should be supplied with our own publications.

W. Q. A. Graham, Ch'm'n.

THANKS to PARMELE.

Whereas; the people of Parmele have so kindly admitted us to their homes, and made our stay among them so pleasant; Resolved, that we pray that God's richest blessings may rest upon them, and that His presence may be realized in their homes and in the Church.

Resolved, also, that our thanks are due to the pastor, Rev. M. L. Chappell for his interest in our comfort and we assure both pastor and people that they will be remembered by us at the throne of grace.

HOME MISSIONS and CHURCH EXTENSION.

We, your Committee, on Home Missions and Church Extension feel a considerable degree of pleasure when we review the work of our Conference, and hear of the success in raising money for the work in the home field.

Brethren, let us re-inforce our energies along this line another year, and thus help to bring about the day when the kingdom of this world shall become the kingdoms of our God.

Respectfully

J, J. Lewis
D. D. Bailey.

PERIODICALS.

Since Job said, "Oh that my words were written in a book!" men, who have felt the fervor of religious enthusiasm, have wanted to publish the good news, of gospel grace; hence, religious journals abound.

We can point with pride to the periodicals published by our own Church as powerful agencies in the three-fold work of preservation of orthodoxy and development of spiritual growth, as well as the perpetuation of the solidarity of our denominational interests.

We cheerfully recommend to our people The Methodist Review, and any one of our great family of Advocates. We urge that some of these be placed in every home.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Q. A. Graham, Ch'm'n,

MISSIONARY APPROPRIATION.

To the District	\$ 450.
Avon	48.
Elizabeth City	210.
Hamlet and Rowland	84.
Laurinburg and Bladen	125.
Marshallberg and Harker's Island	42.
Morehead City	167.
Ocracoke	50.
Parmele	50.
Pates	50.
Pingers.	375.
Whaleyville and Powellton	134.
Wildwood	90.
Winfall	125.

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David H. Moore.

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NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF PASTOR	PASTOR'S SUPPORT						Support of Pres. Elders				Support of Bishops				CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS			CONFERENCE CURRENT EXPENSES		
		CASH MS			RECEIPTS			Deficiencies	Support of Pres. Elders		Support of Bishops		Total Support Elders and Bishops	Collec-tions	Other Sources	Total	(Church Section Fuel &c.)	S. S. Lesson Leaves Books etc			
		Salary	House Rent	Total	Salary	House Rent	Total		Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid									
Avon	E. J. Midgett	170		170	152		152	102	18	24	82			120				5	30		
Bladen	Supplied																				
Elizabeth City	L. N. Booth	250	100	350	125	100	225	125		12	5		1	331				30	9		
Hamlet	D. D. Bailey	175	60	232	88	60	148	87		32	30		1	156				2			
Harkers Island	W. C. Baines	200		200	120		120	80		16	16										
Marshallberg	A. Graybeal	400	60	460	275	60	245	115		20	15		1	311				25	16		
Morehead City	W. J. Flint	250	70	320	206	70	276	74		20	21		1	298				35	12		
Ocracoke	W. F. Graham	300	50	350	202	50	232	98		25	37			218				24	45		
Pates	W. L. Moore	125		125	125		125			25	15			162				1			
Paramele	M. L. Chappell	390	55	425	399	35	434			28	15			451				30	10		
Rowlands	W. R. Woodell	80		80	80		80			25	22			112				5			
Portsmouth & Pinner	W. H. Luther	300	50	350	103	50	213	137		10	10		2	230				35	25		
Whaleyville	J. A. Morris	125	40	165	125	40	165			10	10		1	176				5	5		
Winfall	J. H. Garris	75		75	75		75			12	12			95					24		
Wildwood	J. J. Lewis	110		110	110		110			20	20			122				15	28		
Totals		2875	465	3340	2245	465	2670	734	279	276	7	2963	10	212	204						

